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For: RUBBER-LIKE ARTICLES AND RUBBER-  
LIKE MATERIAL-CONTAINING  
ARTICLES

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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

**MS AMENDMENT**

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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In reply to the Office Action dated July 29, 2011, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2.

**Remarks** begin on page 5.